

State Advisory Committee (SAC) For Children with Disabilities
Advising the NH Department of Education Per RSA 186-C:3-b
Minutes for the meeting of May 1, 2013
Meeting held at St. Paul's Church ~ Legislative Educational Event
12:00 - 4:30pm
***Brief Business Meeting was from 4:30pm – 5:00pm**

Those In Attendance who participated in the event: Dick Cohen, Sarah Cooley, John Jackson, Patrick Curtin, Michelle Rosado, Kerri Lynn Kimner, Carol Conforti-Adams, Bonnie Dunham, Kestrel Cole-McCrea, Candace Cole-McCrea, Janet Reed, Sue Marcotte Jenkins, Catherine Meister, Maureen Tracey, Daniel Ward, Renea Sparks, Joan Holleran, Jenifer Evans, Lynda Thistle-Elliott, Adrienne Evans.

Agenda Item I: Welcome and Introductions: Bonnie Dunham

- Bonnie asked for a motion to open the meeting. Kerri Lynn Kimner made a motion to open the meeting.

Agenda Item II: Review of Day's Events:

- Today's event: "*Achieving School Success for Every Child: Recognizing Innovative Systems of Supports*" an Informational and Educational Opportunity for NH State Legislators, was a great success!
- Santina Thibedeau, on behalf of the Bureau of Special Education, thanked the SAC event subcommittee and all SAC members for the wonderful event held today.
- Dan Habib, thanked SAC members for the great job that was done in making today's event happen. Thank you to Dan as well for all his participation!
- Samantha Ahern, a student from Souhegan High School also thanked SAC for inviting her to this event.
- Maureen Tracey, on behalf of this project committee thanked members for all their help, and they are ready to start planning for next year's educational event. Thanks also to Lauren and Owen for helping out today!

Agenda Item III: Other Business or Comments:

- SAC Annual Report: Bonnie asked members of the subcommittees to start their final reports to submit for the annual report. Bonnie also asked if members could email her at: bdunham@picnh.org with any suggestions of what they would like included in the annual report.
- Bonnie also asked If subcommittees decide to meet over the summer, it would be helpful for the information to be emailed out as soon as possible.
- Children's Mental Health Matters Rally to be held on Thursday, May 9th at the State House plaza.
- A family support conference will also be held next week.
- Bonnie suggested sending legislators and exhibitors thank you notes. SAC members will write at next meeting.

- Approval of April Minutes: Tabled until June meeting.

Agenda Item VI: Adjournment

- Janet Reed made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Carol Conforti-Adams seconded the motion.
- Next meeting is Wednesday, June 5th at 4:30-7:00pm
- Meeting adjourned at 5:00pm